Request **Application Number** 10/718,390 for Filing Date November 20, 2003 Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal First Named Inventor Ronald F. Palermo Address to: Art Unit 1732 Mail Stop RCE **Examiner Name** J. Wollschlager Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Attorney Docket Number 1067 001 301 0202 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s). a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii 🗌 Other b. X Enclosed i. Amendment/Reply iv. Other 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. 3. Fees The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any a. Deposit Account No. 50-2737 for underpayment or credit overpayment. b. 冈 Payment by credit card for the following: \boxtimes RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) i. M ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) Other iii. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTQ-2038. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Signature / Duane C. Basch, Esq. Reg. No. 34,545/ Date Name (Print/Type) Duane C. Basch Registration No. 34,545 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

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